ment have no definite information to indicate that the GNLF militants are getting arms from unauthorised arms factories in Bihar Via Nepal and Bangladesh.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Action Plan to promote Export of Tyres

744. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have proposed an action plan to promote export of tyres;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether proper care has been taken to remove the bottlenecks in the tyre exports; and

(d) the details of the study made in this regard by the Ministry before preparing the action plan.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Joint venture with Bahrain

745. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up joint ventures with Bahrain;

(b) if so, what are the items on which joint projects are proposed to be started;

(c) whether Bahrain propose to step up iron ore import from India;

(d) if so, the quantum of iron ore proposed to be exported to that country during 1988-89; and

(e) the quantum of iron ore imported by Bahrain during 1986-87 and 1987-88?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) and (b) During the visit of the Bahrain Minister of Development and Industry to India in February, 1988, agreed minutes were signed between the Minister of Industry and the Bahraini Minister which *inter-alia* expressed the interest of the two countries to expand the areas of cooperation through joint ventures in fields like fertilizers and tyres.

(c) Kudremukh Iron Ore Company Limited (KIOCL) has signed a long term agreement with Arab Iron & Steel Company Limited (AISCO), Bahrain for export of iron ore concentrate. However, the AISCO plant has not been operating since September, 86 and the exports envisaged have, therefore, not materialised.

(d) As per the indications given earlier by AISCO, Bahrain they were to import upto 1.5 million tonnes of concentrate from KIOCL in 1988.

(e) The quantity of iron ore exported by India to Bahrain during 1986-87 has been 0.59 lakh tonnes. No exports have taken place during 1987-88.

न्यू अशोक नगर, दिल्ली में एक कोलोनाइजर के क्रियाकलाप

746. श्री सुनील कुमार पट्टनायक : क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि न्यू अशोक नगर, दिल्ली-110091 में एक